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SUBJECT: HOST COUNTRY REQUIREMENT FOR AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY
INSURANCE

REF: STATE 189095

1. FOLLOWIING ARE ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ASKED IN REFTEL IN
THE ORDER THEY WERE PRESENTED:

A. YES, THERE IS A MANDATORY LIABILITY INSURANCE LAW IN
DAMASCUS APPLICABLE TO ALL AUTOMOBILES REGISTERED THEREIN.

B. TWO KINDS OF INSURANCE DIPLOMATICS MUST CARRY, OBLIGATORY
AND THIRD-PARTY INSURANCE. NATIONALS MUST CARRY
ONLY OBLIGATORY.) THERE IS NO MINIMUM
COVERAGE IN DOLLAR AMOUNTS. OBLIGATORY
CORRESPONDS WITH AMERICAN LIABILITY INSURANCE. PREMIUM IS
DETERMINED BY HOQRSEPOWER OF CAR. REQUIREMENTS ARE ENFORCED
IN THAT DIPLOMAT , OR EMBASSY IN CASE OF
OFFICIAL CARS, MUST PRESENT CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE TO
REGISTER CAR.

C. N/A

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E. YES

F. YES

G. IF BOTH PARTIES HAVE THIRD PARTY INSURANCE, THE COMPANY
WILL PAY BOTH PARTIES. IF NON DIPLOMAT DOES NOT CARRY THIRD

PARTY INSURANCE, THE INSURANCE WILL PAY DIPLOMAT FOR BODY INJURY BUT NOT HIS AUTO DAMAGE. IF NON DIPLOMAT DOES NOT PAY IN THIS CASE, DIPLOMAT MUST SUE HIM IN COURT.

H. (1) YES, (2) YES

I. RATES ARE THE SAME FOR DIPLOMATS AND NATIONALS.

J. SAME CONTRACT FOR DIPLOMATS AND NATIONALS.

K. YES

L. THERE IS NO LIMIT TO AMOUNT OF SETTLEMENT LIABILITY INSURANCE WILL PAY FOR CAR DAMAGE. THE INSURANCE COMPANY SETS THE DAMAGE AND PAYS IT. LIMIT IS \$10,000 FOR EACH PERSON FOR BODY INJURY. (\$10,000 IS TOP SETTLEMENT FOR DEATH.) INJURED PARTY OR SURVIVOR MUST ACCEPT AMOUNT OF INSURANCE COMPANY SETTLEMENT.

M. WE BELIEVE SYSTEM WORKS WELL. HOWEVER, THERE HAVE BEEN NO ACCIDENTS WHERE PERSONAL INJURY; OR DEATH WERE CAUSED BY DIPLOMAT IN AMERICAN MISSION.

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